

News Flier.....

Wednesday, 19TH October, 2016
Week 7

- **Holiday Club – Monday, 31st October** – lots of fun activities and games are planned! The Club is open from 7:45, commencing with breakfast. Children can attend for the morning, or afternoon – or all day! A packed lunch is required – snacks and drinks will be provided by school. If you would like to book your child(ren) in, please contact the office.
- **Outdoor Table Tennis Table** – I am delighted to tell you that we have just found out that we have been successful in a bid to National Table Tennis for the provision of an outdoor tennis table. This will be a real asset for play times and after school clubs.
- **E-Safety** – this week is whole school focus on E-Safety. Ways you can help with this matter at home are -
 - Always talk to your children about what they are doing on-line
 - Ask them to show you the sites they use
 - Set parental controls on your child's computer/tablet/games console/phone
 - Ensure games being played/overseen/overheard are age appropriate

The NSPCC provide a good information service on E-Safety and can be contacted on 0808 800 5002.

- **Book Fayre** – will be open to parents/carers on Tuesday, 8th November at 2:00 pm. This is a great opportunity for you to view the range of books on offer or buy a few secret Christmas presents! Refreshments will be on sale ahead of Story Time which commences at 2:25 pm. Story Time is when I read two or three of my favourite titles to those of you assembled in the Hall. Your child(ren) will be invited to join you – so please remember to bring a cushion or similar to sit on whilst listening. During the course of Book Fayre fortnight, the child(ren) will bring home their short 'wish' list of titles they have expressed an interest in following visiting the Book Fayre with their class. Should you wish to purchase a book or two from the list, please return your child's list along with payment. Popular titles will be ordered.

- **Competition!** – design me a poster over half term (in any medium) to encourage children to clean their teeth regularly – I am sure you will have lots of ideas following our Assembly this week! Entries to be received by Wednesday, 2nd November – just 50p to enter.
- **Slippers in School Day** – thank you very much for supporting this fund raising event – we are now underway with the £1000 challenge for this term!
- **Headlice** – we have received a number of reports regarding headlice. Please remember to check your child’s head regularly – ‘Once a week....take a peek!’ Your local pharmacist will be able to offer advice regarding treatment etc.
- **Birthdays in Assembly** – On Monday, 7th November I will celebrate the birthdays that fall between 1st and 13th November inclusive.
- **Year 5/Year 6 Swimming** – £24 is the amount for the second half term. This is due on or before Friday, 4th November and should be paid in full either by ParentPay or cheque.
- **Governing Body** – we currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested in applying for this position please put your expression of interest in writing to Mrs White, Clerk to the Governing Body by 21st October, 2016.
- **Local Children’s Centres** – do feel welcome to access these facilities with your children. You can sign up to a wealth of information there.
- **Past Pupil Success** – congratulations to Cassy Midgely on her appointment as Deputy Headgirl at John Spendluffe School.

Community News

Remembrance Day Poppies – Mrs Turner will be in school on Thursday afternoon, 3rd November to sell poppies to those children who would like to buy one. If you wish your child to take part in this please send a small amount of money in a named envelope.

Alford Girls Brigade – offers fun and achievement opportunities for girls aged 4 and over. Please contact Michelle Arthurton on 07587063123.

Alford Wildlife Group – there is a photography session with Geoff Trinder on the 30th September. Visit www.wildlifewatch.org.uk/where-you-live

Forthcoming Diary Dates

Friday, 21 st October	School closes for half term (re-opens Tuesday, 1 st November)
Tuesday, 1 st November	Year 5 History Trip to Alford Manor House (half day)
Wednesday, 2 nd November	Query Crew Fund Raising Event for British Heart Foundation - 50p to wear a red, orange or black accessory Flu vaccinations for children in Years 1/2/3
Friday, 4 th November	2:15 Club for Year 3 and 4 parents/carers – Maths
Tuesday, 8 th November	Parental lunch opportunity – space for up to 12 parents to enjoy a hot school lunch. Please order using your child's menu
Wednesday, 9 th November	Year 4 – day workshop at Metheringham Air Field to re-enact a War Time Christmas – further details to follow
Friday 11 th November	Year 6 Class Assembly – 2:25 pm in the Hall for parents and carers of Year 6 children